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(57) Abstract

The present invention relates generally to therapeutic compositions for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of intestinal disease conditions in animals and birds caused or exacerbated by *Lawsonia intracellularis* or similar or otherwise related microorganism. The present invention also contemplates methods for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of such intestinal disease conditions and to diagnostic agents and procedures for detecting *Lawsonia intracellularis* or similar or otherwise related microorganism.

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates generally to therapeutic compositions for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of intestinal disease conditions in animals and birds caused or exacerbated by *Lawsonia intracellularis* or similar or otherwise related microorganism. The present invention also contemplates methods for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of such intestinal disease conditions and to diagnostic agents and procedures for detecting *Lawsonia intracellularis* or similar or otherwise related microorganism.

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